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In re Application of: Craig W. Schmidt  
Serial No.: 09/820,370  
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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MATCHING BUYERS AND  
SELLERS IN A MARKETPLACE

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Washington, DC 20231

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